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REPORT ON CYCLONE IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any reports from the Governmentof Orissa on Super Cyclone hit Orissa in September and October, 1999;

(b) if so, the central assistance provided towards relief operation, rehabilitation package, restoration and reconstruction activities;

(c) whether a Orissa Cyclone Reconstruction Authority has been set up under asenior Cabinet Minister to co-ordinate reconstruction activities in the State; and

(d) if so, the funds allocated/spent so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): The Government of Orissa had sent reports on loss of life and damage to property in the wake of super cyclone of October, 1999.

(b): Central share of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) for 1999-2000 amounting to Rs42.50 crore was released to the State for taking necessary relief measures in the wake of natural calamities. In addition assistance of Rs.828.15 crore from the National Fundfor Calamity Relief (NFCR) was released to the State in the wake of floods and cyclones including the super cyclone.

(c)&(d): The Government of Orissa had set up the Orissa State Disaster MitigationAuthority to coordinate the rehabilitation and reconstruction work in the cyclone affected areas. Details of funds utilized so far is not available.